

SCDMV Driver Suspension Eligibility Week 2020 Frequently Asked Questions

1. What is Driver Suspension Eligibility Week?

Driver Suspension Eligibility Week is one week each year when drivers who lost their driving privileges for certain suspensions can apply to reduce or clear the remaining time for their suspension. No fees will be waived.

2. Why is the SCDMV offering this service?

South Carolina Code of Laws Section 56-1-396 requires the SCDMV to establish a driver's license suspension eligibility period every year.

3. When will the SCDMV offer Driver Suspension Eligibility Week?

The SCDMV will offer Driver Suspension Eligibility Week March 16 - 20, 2020.

4. Does my suspension qualify?

The program will assist the following types of suspended drivers:

- Underage drivers suspended for excessive points
- Those suspended for operating an unlicensed taxi
- Drivers suspended for operating an uninsured vehicle that they did not own
- Those suspended for operating or allowing operation of an uninsured vehicle
- Drivers suspended for driving under suspension, excluding alcohol or drug related convictions.

5. What else do I need to do to qualify?

To qualify for the program, drivers must meet all of the conditions of their suspensions. Drivers must pay all fees and SR-22 Certificate of Insurance must be filed, if required. Drivers with suspensions not covered by the program will still need to serve those suspensions.

6. What if I have more than one suspension?

If a driver has more than one suspension, the SCDMV will recalculate the suspension time.

7. Do I have to get an SR-22 (Certificate of Insurance) if I have one or more suspensions that are not included in the program?

If an SR-22 (Certificate of Insurance) is a requirement, you will not have to get it from your insurance company until all of your suspensions are complete.

8. Will I have to take the knowledge or road skills test to get my license back?

If your suspension requires retesting or your license has been expired for more than nine months, you will have to take the vision, knowledge, and skills tests.

9. Can I go to any branch to apply?

The SCDMV will accept applications for Driver Suspension Eligibility Week at all SCDMV branches Monday through Friday, March 16 - 20, 2020. The Allendale and McCormick offices are only open on Tuesday and Thursday.

10. What are the SCDMV office hours?

The Allendale and McCormick office are open Tuesday and Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. All other offices are open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Wednesday 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.